

MILITARY ROAD FROM PORTLAND TO ASTORIA AND FORT STEVENS.

MEMORIAL
OF
THE LEGISLATURE OF OREGON,
PRAYING

*Congress for an appropriation of \$60,000 to construct a military road from
Portland to Astoria and Fort Stevens.*

JANUARY 13, 1873.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

To the honorable the Congress of the United States :

Your memorialists, the legislative assembly of the State of Oregon, represent that the city of Portland, in the State of Oregon, is the headquarters for the Department of the Columbia, and is a port of entry and delivery, and distant from Astoria one hundred miles, and Fort Stevens one hundred and fifteen miles. That along and for some distance back from said river, on the south side thereof, and between the points aforesaid, there are many detached settlements and districts of valuable public lands, but sparsely populated and difficult of access, so much so as that at some seasons of the year such settlements are almost entirely cut off from markets and other business portions of the country for the want of an extended line of road. Your memorialists further represent that the interests and convenience of the War and Navy Departments would be greatly promoted by the construction of such road, and a line of telegraph between the said city of Portland and Astoria and Fort Stevens, and that the construction of such road and telegraph would greatly promote the interests of commerce and navigation. Your memorialists therefore pray your honorable body to make an appropriation of \$60,000, or such other sum as may be deemed sufficient, to be expended under the authority of the War Department in the construction of a military road and line of telegraph from the said city of Portland, by way of Saint Helen, Rainier, Beaver, Claskanine Valleys to Astoria and Fort Stevens, a distance of about one hundred and fifteen miles. And your memorialists will ever pray, &c.

Adopted by the house October 8, 1872.

RUFUS MALLORY,
Speaker of the House.

Concurred in by the senate October 9, 1872.

JAMES D. FAY,
President of the Senate.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

State of Oregon, Department of State :

I, S. F. Chadwick, secretary of the State of Oregon, do hereby certify that I am the custodian of the great seal of the State of Oregon; that the foregoing copy of house joint memorial, No. 5, has been compared by me with the original; and that it is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original now on file in this department.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the great seal of the State of Oregon. Done at the city of Salem this the 19th day of December, A. D. 1872.

[SEAL.]

S. F. CHADWICK,

Secretary of State.